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SENT VIA FOIAONLINE TO: TSOUTH@MCO.COM
MR TODD SOUTH
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Dear Mr. South:

SUBJECT: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST, FILE NUMBER DON-USMC-2018-010190

This responds to your August 8, 2018, FOIA request, for a copy of an Inspector General of the Marine Corps (IGMC) complaint that you believe was filed against Colonel Joseph Murray, USMC. Your request was controlled under file number **DON-USMC-2018-010190**.

We initiated a search of the files maintained by the IGMC, who advised us that they did not conduct an investigation regarding this matter, so the Marine Corps has no responsive records. To ensure a thorough search, however, we are referring your request to the Navy Inspector General in the event they may have responsive records. They will respond to you directly.

We note that you requested a waiver of all fees. Since we categorized you as a "media requester", you are already exempt from search and review fees and only responsible for duplication costs in excess of 100 pages. In this instance, there is no charge for processing your request, so the fee waiver issue is moot.

If you consider this to be an adverse determination, you may submit an appeal to the Judge Advocate General (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Avenue SE, Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066. Your appeal, if any, must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should include a copy of your initial request, a copy of this letter, and a statement indicating why you believe it should be granted. We recommend that your appeal and its envelope both bear the notation "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

You also have the right to seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services from the Marine Corps FOIA Public Liaison, Ms. Sally Hughes, at hqmcfoia@usmc.mil or (703) 614-4008, and/or the Department of the Navy FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031. You may also contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) for assistance and/or dispute resolution at ogis@nara.gov or 1-877-684-6448. For more information online about services provided by OGIS, please visit their website at https://ogis.archives.gov.

We have categorized you as an "other requester" for the purpose of FOIA processing fees. As such, you are entitled to two hours of search time and 100 pages of duplication free of charge

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but are responsible for the payment of any fees beyond that. In this instance, however, any applicable fees did not exceed your free entitlement so there is no charge for processing this request.

I am the official responsible for this determination. Should you have questions about this action, please contact Ms. Deanna James of my staff at (703) 614-4008, or via email to hqmcfoia@usmc.mil or fax at (703) 614-6287. Please reference the file number in the subject line above.

Sincerely,

S. A. HUGHES

Head, FOIA/PA Section